Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Monday, December 9, 2013.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 3656–3673; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 431–433, were introduced. **Pages H7566–67**

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Foxx to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. Pages H7509, H7556

Innovation Act: The House passed H.R. 3309, to amend title 35, United States Code, and the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act to make improvements and technical corrections, by a recorded vote of 325 ayes to 91 noes, Roll No. 629.

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Pursuant to the rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–28 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill.

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Agreed to:

Polis amendment (No. 3 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–283) that requires claimants to provide additional disclosure information in any pre-suit notification to establish a willful infringement claim;

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Jackson Lee amendment (No. 6 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–283) that requires the Director to conduct a study regarding the economic impact of the changes in current law resulting from Sections 3, 4, and 5 of the bill on the ability of individuals and small businesses owned by women, veterans, and minorities to assert, secure, and vindicate their constitutionally guaranteed exclusive right to their inventions and discoveries;

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Goodlatte manager's amendment (No. 1 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–283) that makes a few technical and clarifying changes. Specifically, under Section 3(d), it clarifies that the exception in paragraph one applies to biosimilars, it also adds an exception for actions seeking relief based on competitive harm, and ensures that the provision is not subject to reverse gamesmanship. Under Section 6(d) it makes clarifying changes that ensure that foreign courts cannot terminate licenses to US IP. Extends time required by the agencies to complete the various studies and reports required in the bill (by a recorded vote of 341 ayes to 73 noes, Roll No. 623); and

Rohrabacher amendment (No. 7 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–283) that strikes 9(a) from the bill and reorders the remaining subsections of Section 9 (by a recorded vote of 260 ayes to 156 noes, Roll No. 627).

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Rejected:

Watt amendment (No. 2 printed in part A of H. Rept. 113–283) that sought to bring the fee shifting provision in the underlying bill more closely aligned with the Equal Access to Justice Act. Would allow a judge to consider dilatory or other abusive tactics